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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Takayuki MORI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1793  
Application No.: 10/590,776 ) Examiner: Vanoy, Timothy C.  
Filed: June 12, 2007 )  
For: NITROGEN OXIDE REMOVAL ) Confirmation No.: 2461  
CATALYST SYSTEM AND )  
NITROGEN OXIDE REMOVAL )  
METHOD )

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 2, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks. This response is due by May 4, 2009 (as May 2, 2009, falls on a Saturday), and is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper, beginning at page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.